

## **Francina Dlouhy**

Panel: Tax simplification

## **Biography**

Francina Dlouhy is Partner at Faegre Baker Daniels in Indianapolis. She practices in all areas of state and local taxation, representing business taxpayers in administrative proceedings and litigation involving state income taxes, sales and use tax, financial institutions taxes, and real and personal property taxes. Dlouhy also represents clients on tax planning and obtaining incentives for investment and expansion. Dlouhy has extensive experience with tax abatement, enterprise zones, EDGE credits, and research and development incentives.

In recent years, Dlouhy has completed substantial tax projects for clients in a number of industries, including steel, pharmaceuticals, automotive, chemicals, construction, medical device, oil and gas, utilities, consumer products, retailing, agriculture, printing, bio-fuels, and financial institutions.

Dlouhy is a frequent speaker at state and national tax programs, including those held by TEI, Practicing Law Institute and CPA societies. Dlouhy has filed more than 100 cases in the Indiana Tax Court and served as counsel to the taxpayer or a party in numerous other cases.

She was named *Indianapolis Business Journal*'s Woman of Influence in 2013, one of *The Best Lawyers in America*, Tax Law (1990-2014), Administrative/Regulatory Law (2010-14) and Tax Litigation & Controversy (2012-14), Indianapolis Administrative/Regulatory Lawyer of the year (2011, 2013), and Indianapolis Tax Layer of the Year (2012-13). Dlouhy is also the recipient of Indiana's highest civilian honor given by the Governor, Sagamore of the Wabash, and the Antoinette Dakin Leach Award, given by the Indiana Bar Association, in honor of being the first woman admitted to practice in Indiana.

Dlouhy is a member of the Indianapolis Bar Association, Indiana State Bar Association, American Bar Association, the Indiana Manufacturer's Association – Tax Committee, and the Indiana Chamber of Commerce – Tax Committee.